

The River is Book One in “The Coming Darkness and This Present Evil Age” Trilogy

Target audience: believers and unbelievers seeking for more understanding of Jesus and the spirit world. Similar books would be Pilgrim’s Progress and some similarities to The Shack (The supernatural appearing in the natural world, stepping into or over from the natural to the supernatural etc. Biblical representation of Trinity stays true.)

Synopsis of The River

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The River: A Spiritually Transforming Journey is a Christian Fantasy resembling a mixture of a modern day Pilgrim’s Progress with the mixing of the real world and the supernatural. It’s an allegoric journey of a baby/lukewarm Christian (Melissa) being transformed into a disciple with the call of Acts 1:8. Her faith walk will develop as she journeys with Jesus in the supernatural realm of The River where she will be required to trust without details, release control over outcomes and allow supernatural experiences without context and understanding. She will need to have unquestioning obedience, confront dark forces, learn of the wiles of Satan, cooperate with supernatural beings, and make continual decisions to decrease that will lead to death to self.

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Melissa takes an unexpected vacation orchestrated by God which leads her into a supernatural dimension. While in this realm, Melissa meets men and women on their own spiritual journey, angels, spiritual beings, Holy Spirit, and Jesus in various encounters on The River. Melissa must confront her fears, overcome worldly mindsets, and grow in her intimacy with Jesus. She learns to trust without details, release control over outcomes and allow supernatural experiences without context and understanding in the moment. She will be expected to be unquestioningly obedient, confront dark forces as she grows her spiritual authority. Melissa will learn the wiles of Satan and her dominion over darkness, cooperate with heavenly supernatural beings, and make continual decisions to decrease—leading to death of self, so Jesus can increase in her life.

Melissa's River journey has one purpose only, that is to transform Melissa into the image of Christ so that she can be equipped to fulfill the call and destiny on her life. Will Melissa cooperate with God's plans for her spiritual transformation, wander aimlessly on The River or will she refuse all transformation and align herself with the darkness? Will she give up her ability to stay with Jesus forever in the celestial city or leave for a call that could cost her everything? The reader will find themselves at times, pulled into the story, confronted by Holy Spirit in their own faith areas that require personal transformation for their successful spiritual journey. The River will challenge each reader to choose decrease so that Jesus can increase in their personal faith walk and equip themselves with the Biblical blueprint for becoming a disciple that picks up the call of Acts 1:8.

Book Points of Interest

1. The River pictures a faith walk for a non-believer or the steps of growing Faith for a baby/immature Christian in order to develop a strong personal, intimate relationship with Jesus and the Holy Spirit.
2. The River provides Biblical understanding for a growing faith walk such as learning to trust what you can't see, walking in places of darkness. Continuing to move forward where Jesus doesn't appear to be near and how to grow in relationship to hear the voice of God and the Holy Spirit.
3. The River hints at reasons for the love of Christians growing cold, creating a form of church that revolves around religious practices and people pleasing. It pictures Christians who would trade their Christian rewards for items that serve the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes and the pride of life.
4. The River carries the theme of the Trinity's love for people and how they are always working to redeem them from enslavement to human lusts, sin and traps of the devil.
5. The River points to the promises that each believer who follows Jesus and completes their faith walk will receive such as Heavenly rewards, eternal life and the Celestial City.
6. For those who hear the Call to reach the world with what lies ahead for mankind, there are directions for becoming an Acts 1:8 disciple.